

Frederick County Commission For Women

Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street

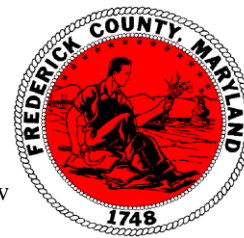
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Monthly Meeting Minutes

7:00 pm

September 10, 2013

Winchester Hall, 3rd Floor

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Commissioners Present: Sharon Dobson, Valerie Dougherty, Tish Honse, Christine Ferguson, Susan Mender, Veralynn Morris, Diana Halleman, Linda Roth, Marcela Perez, , Ashley Collier, Olga Hernandez-Smith, Shellome Waters

Absent Commissioners: Cynthia Miller, Natalie Abbas

Guests: Michelle Nusuum-Smith, Viv Wayne, Theresa Smith, Heather Gray, Kimberly Edgar, Mary Ellen Mitchell, Ana Filipovic (Intern)

I. **President's Report and Announcements**

- a. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- b. Commissioners, guests and volunteers introduced themselves.
- c. August 13, 2013 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Ferguson moved that minutes be approved. Commissioner Dobson seconded. Motion passed with one abstention (Commissioner Hernandez-Smith).
- d. Speaker –Mary Ellen Mitchell of the Interfaith Housing Alliance spoke about the need for affordable housing. She discussed the work the organization does to provide housing opportunities to seniors, working families and individuals. Financial support comes from grants, fund-raising, and donations. The CFW can help to publicize through our social media. Additionally, they are always looking for presenters and speakers.
- e. Announcements:
 - i. Commissioner Halleman announced that the Literacy Council will be sponsoring an event at the Weinberg Center on Oct 23 – An Evening with David Brooks.
 - ii. Commissioner Halleman announced that the Golden Mile Alliance is having a soccer tournament at Frederick High School on 9/28.
 - iii. President Roth passed out flyers for upcoming events.
- f. Calendar of Events: Any calendar updates should be sent to President Roth

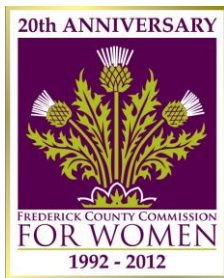
II. **Financial Report:** None

III. **Committee/Liaison Reports:**

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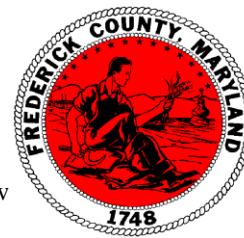
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- a. **Legislative** - Commissioner Honse reported that the Legislative Committee will be planning a "meet the candidate" night on 10/24 for Frederick City mayoral and alderman candidates. It will be sponsored by the CFW partnering with Delta Sigma Theta at Centennial Memorial Church on W. Second St. Attendees will be asked to bring a food item to be donated to 2nd Street and Hope.
- b. **Outreach** – Commissioner Hernandez-Smith reported on Fort Detrick Hispanic Heritage Month Event. She announced that the Diverse Committee at Ft. Detrick has extended an invitation to attend their next diversity event on 9/17 at 11:30 a.m. The Asian American Health Fair is October 5 at 8 a.m.
- c. **Recruitment** – Commissioner Mender reported that there is a new applicant, Heather Gray. Ms. Gray spoke about her reasons for wanting to be a part of CFW.

IV. **Old Business:**

- a. Maryland Women's Conference – Commissioner Dobson provided a report on the conference. She gave an overview of the program and distributed flyers for all to circulate in the community.

V. **New Business:** Commissioner Ferguson gave an overview of the CFW Annual Retreat which will be held on September 24.

VI. **Adjournment:** Commissioner Mender moved and Commissioner Collier seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m. The next public meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2013.

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